



**NEW ENGLAND
COMMON ASSESSMENT PROGRAM**

**Released Items
2009**

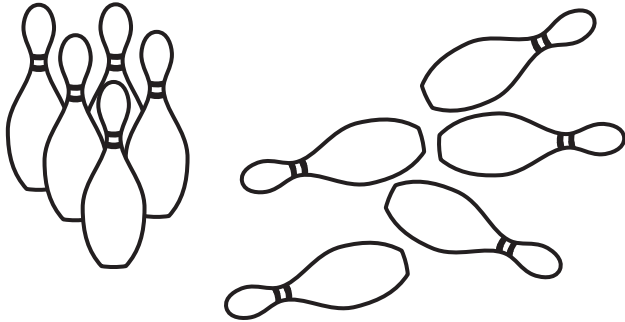
**Grade 6
Mathematics**

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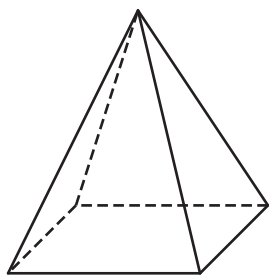
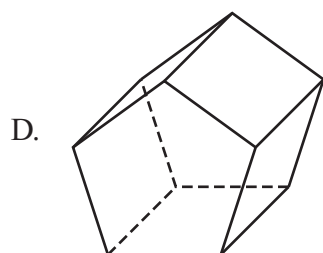
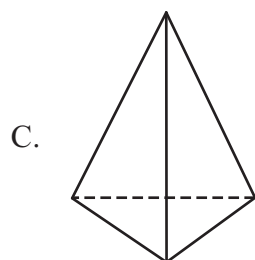
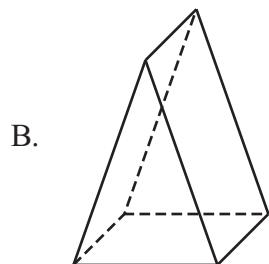
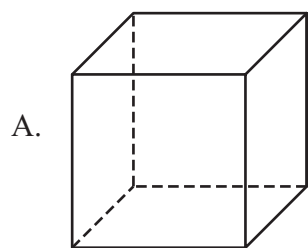


Figure P

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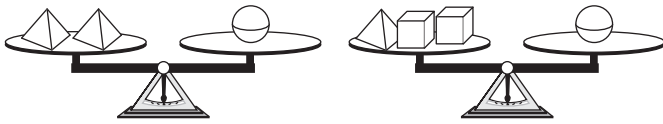
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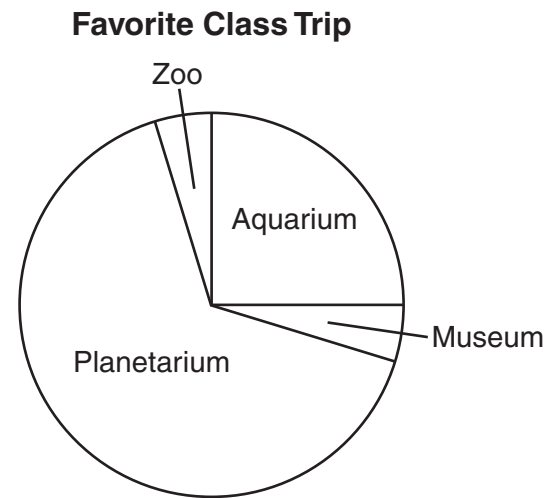
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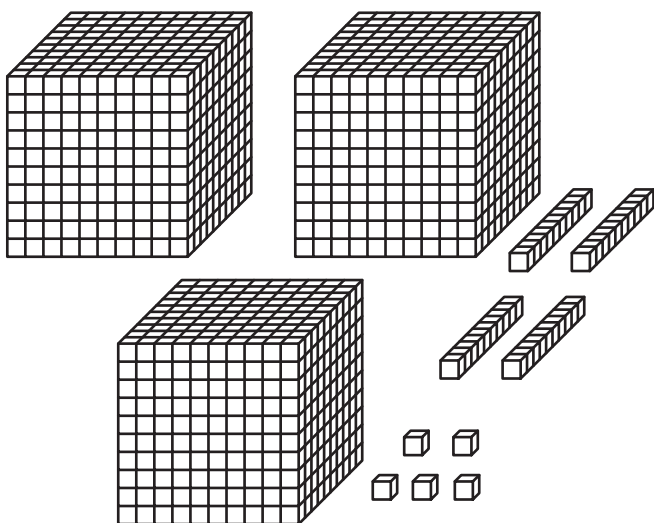
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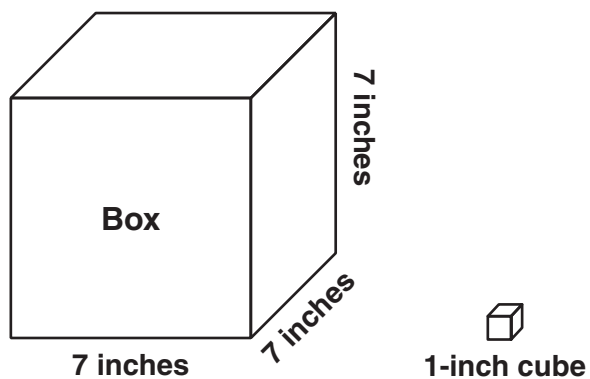
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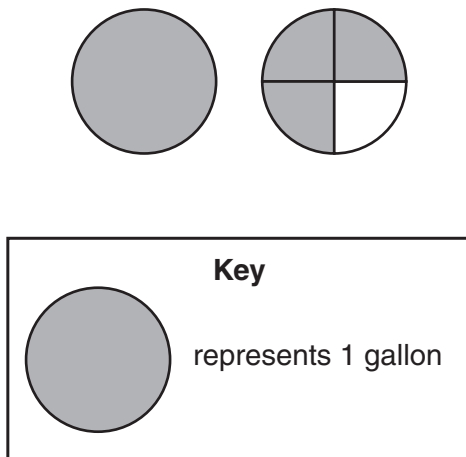
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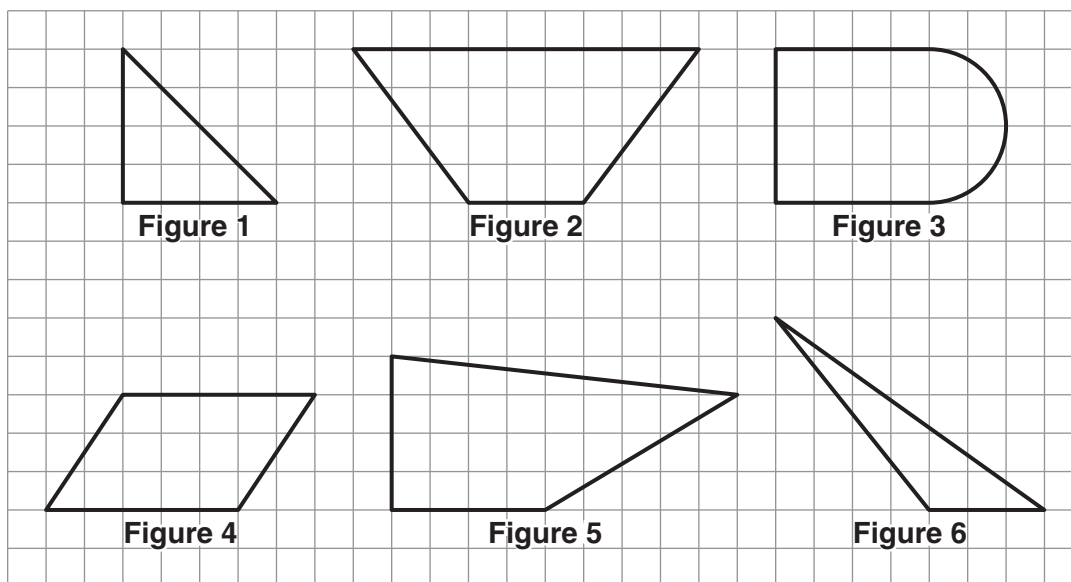
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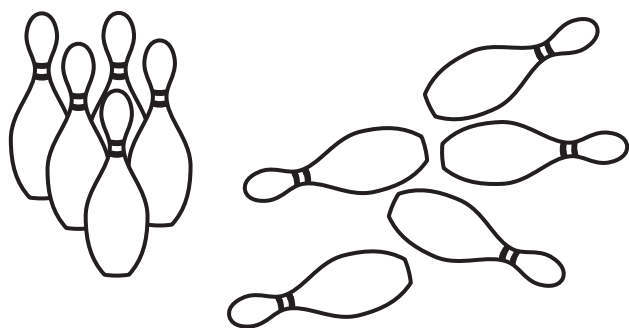
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NECAP 2009 RELEASED ITEMS
GRADE 6 MATH

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N&O 5.2 Demonstrates understanding of the relative magnitude of numbers by ordering, comparing, or identifying equivalent positive fractional numbers, decimals, or benchmark percents within number formats (fractions to fractions, decimals to decimals, or percents to percents); or integers in context using models or number lines.

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N&O 5.3 **Demonstrates conceptual understanding of mathematical operations** by describing or illustrating the meaning of a remainder with respect to division of whole numbers using models, explanations, or solving problems.

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G&M 5.3 Uses properties or attributes (shape of bases, number of lateral faces, or number of bases) to identify, compare, or describe three-dimensional shapes (rectangular prisms, triangular prisms, cylinders, spheres, pyramids, or cones).



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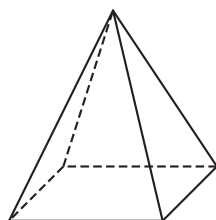
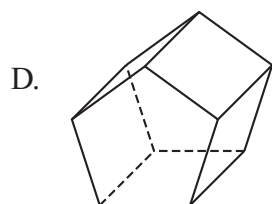
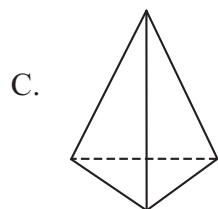
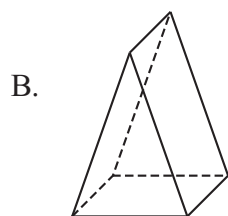
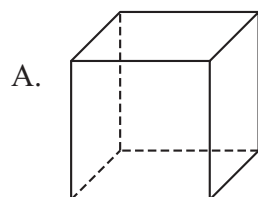


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F&A 5.1 Identifies and extends to specific cases a variety of patterns (linear and nonlinear) represented in models, tables, sequences, or in problem situations; and writes a rule in words or symbols for finding specific cases of a linear relationship.

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F&A 5.3 Demonstrates conceptual understanding of algebraic expressions by using letters to represent unknown quantities to write linear algebraic expressions involving any two of the four operations; or by evaluating linear algebraic expressions using whole numbers.

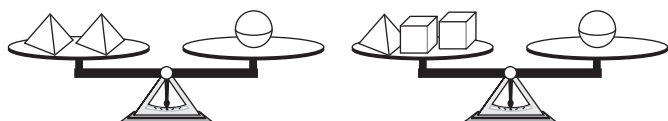
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











F&A 5.4 Demonstrates conceptual understanding of equality by showing equivalence between two expressions using models or different representations of the expressions (expressions consistent with the parameters of M(F&A)–5–3), by solving one-step linear equations of the form $ax = c$, $x \pm b = c$, or $x/a = c$, where a , b , and c are whole numbers with $a \neq 0$; or by determining which values of a replacement set make the equation (multi-step of the form $ax \pm b = c$ where a , b , and c are whole numbers with $a \neq 0$) a true statement (e.g., $2x + 3 = 11$, $\{x: x = 2, 3, 4, 5\}$).



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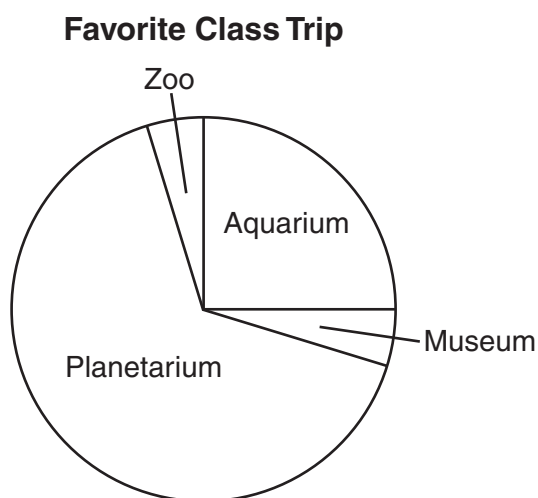
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DSP 5.1 **Interprets a given representation** (tables, bar graphs, circle graphs, or line graphs) to answer questions related to the data, to analyze the data to formulate or justify conclusions, to make predictions, or to solve problems. (IMPORTANT: *Analyzes data consistent with concepts and skills in M(DSP)–5–2.*)

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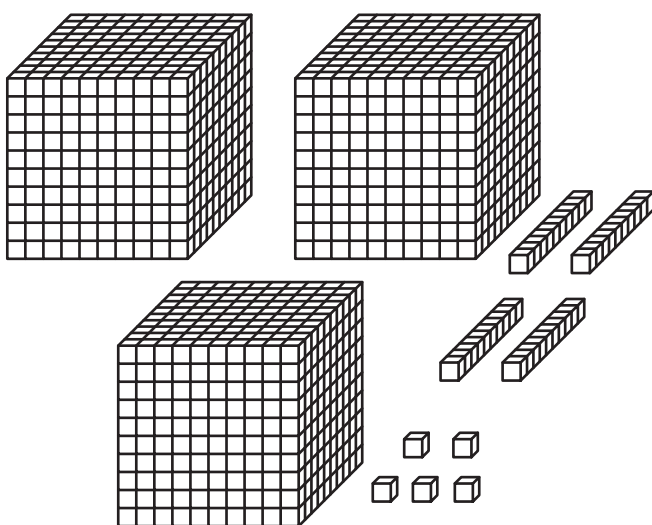
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11 Look at these blocks.



Key

 represents 1 unit

What is the value of these blocks?

Scoring Guide

Score	Description
1	for correct answer, 3,045
0	Response is incorrect or contains some correct work that is irrelevant to the skill or concept being measured.
Blank	No response

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SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE A)

11

three thousand forty five

The student's response is correct.

SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE B)

11

There are 3,045 blocks in the pictures

The student's response is correct.

SCORE POINT 0
(EXAMPLE A)

11

100 10 5
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+ 5

605

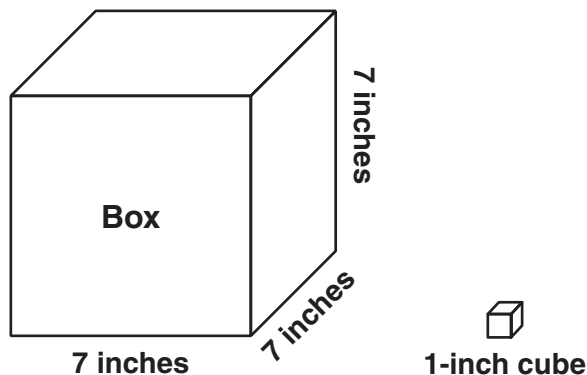
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The student's response is incorrect.

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G&M 5.6 Demonstrates conceptual understanding of perimeter of polygons, and the area of rectangles or right triangles through models, manipulatives, or formulas, the area of polygons or irregular figures on grids, and volume of rectangular prisms (cubes) using a variety of models, manipulatives, or formulas. Expresses all measures using appropriate units.

- 12 Look at the box and the 1-inch cube.



What is the greatest number of 1-inch cubes that can fit into the box?

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Score	Description
1	for correct answer, 343
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Blank	No response

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SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE A)

12

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ \times 7 \\ \hline 49 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 49 \\ \times 7 \\ \hline 343 \end{array}$$

1 goes into 343 343 times

343 times

The student's response is correct.
(Explanation is not required.)

SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE B)

12

343

The student's response is correct.

SCORE POINT 0
(EXAMPLE A)

12

6 sides $6 \times 7 = 42$

42 inch cubes

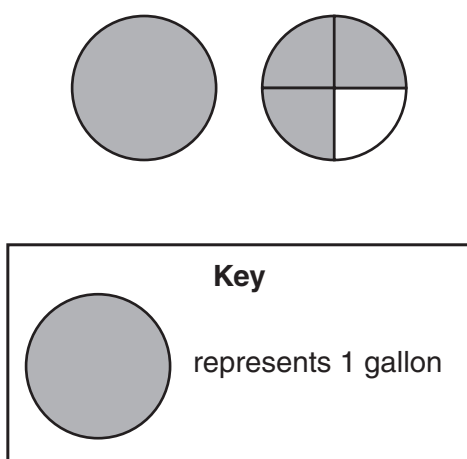


The student's response is incorrect.

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The picture shows the number of gallons of water the Mitchell family drank in one day.

- Write a mixed number that represents the number of gallons the Mitchell family drank.
- One full glass holds $\frac{1}{8}$ gallon of water. The Mitchell family drank only full glasses of water on that day. How many full glasses of water did the Mitchell family drink?

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2	for correct answer to part a, $1\frac{3}{4}$ (gallons), and part b, 14
1	for correct answer to part a or for correct answer to part b
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SCORE POINT 2
(EXAMPLE A)

13

A. $1\frac{3}{4}$ gallons.

a) The student's response is correct.

B. 14 Full glasses of water.



b) The student's response is correct.
(Showing work is not required.)

SCORE POINT 2
(EXAMPLE B)

13

A. $1\frac{3}{4}$

a) The student's response is correct.

B. 14 glasses

b) The student's response is correct.

SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE A)

13

A. $1\frac{3}{4}$ gallons

a) The student's response is correct.

B. $1\frac{6}{8}$ gallons

b) The student's response is incorrect.

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SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE B)

13

They drank 14 full glasses
of water that day.

b) The student's response is correct.

a) The student did not attempt.

SCORE POINT 0
(EXAMPLE A)

13

$a = 1\frac{1}{4}$ gallons

$b = 4$

a) The student's response is incorrect.

b) The student's response is incorrect.

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DSP 5.2 Analyzes patterns, trends, or distributions in data in a variety of contexts by determining or using measures of central tendency (mean, median, or mode) or range to analyze situations, or to solve problems.



- 14** Lisa made this list to show the ages, in years, of twelve children at a park.

6, 10, 4, 2, 3, 2, 14, 5, 1, 2, 5, 9

- a. What is the range of ages of these twelve children?

Lisa made this statement.

The range of ages of students in grades 4, 5, and 6 at a school is greater than the range of ages of the children at the park.

- b. Explain why Lisa's statement is correct **or** why Lisa's statement is incorrect.

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Sample Response

Part b: Lisa's statement is incorrect. Most of the students in a school would be between the ages of 9 and 12. So the range would be $12 - 9 = 3$ years, which is less than 13 years.

Note: In part b, accept reasonable age ranges (less than 13 years) based on a school with grades 4, 5, and 6.

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SCORE POINT 2
(EXAMPLE A)



14

a. 13

a) The student's response is correct.

B. Lisa's statement is incorrect
Because the oldest 6 grader is 12
and the youngest 4th grader is 8 so the
range would be 4 and at the park the range
was 13.

b) The student's explanation is correct.

SCORE POINT 2
(EXAMPLE B)



14

A. 1-14 years old.

a) The student's response is correct.

B. Lisa is incorrect because the average
6th grader is 11 or 12 and the average
4th grader is 9 or 10 so a range of 9-12
isn't bigger than 1-14.

b) The student's explanation is correct.

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SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE A)



14

A. 6-14

a) The student's response is incorrect.

b) The student's explanation is correct.

B. She is wrong because thier are only ages 9-12 in 4-6 grade and that is only 4 ages and thier are 9 different ages at the park.

SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE B)



14

The range of the twelve children is 13.

a) The student's response is correct.

b) The student did not attempt.

14
13

SCORE POINT 0
(EXAMPLE A)



14

A. 9

a) The student's response is incorrect.

B. Incorrect Lisas School doesn't add up to the parks range

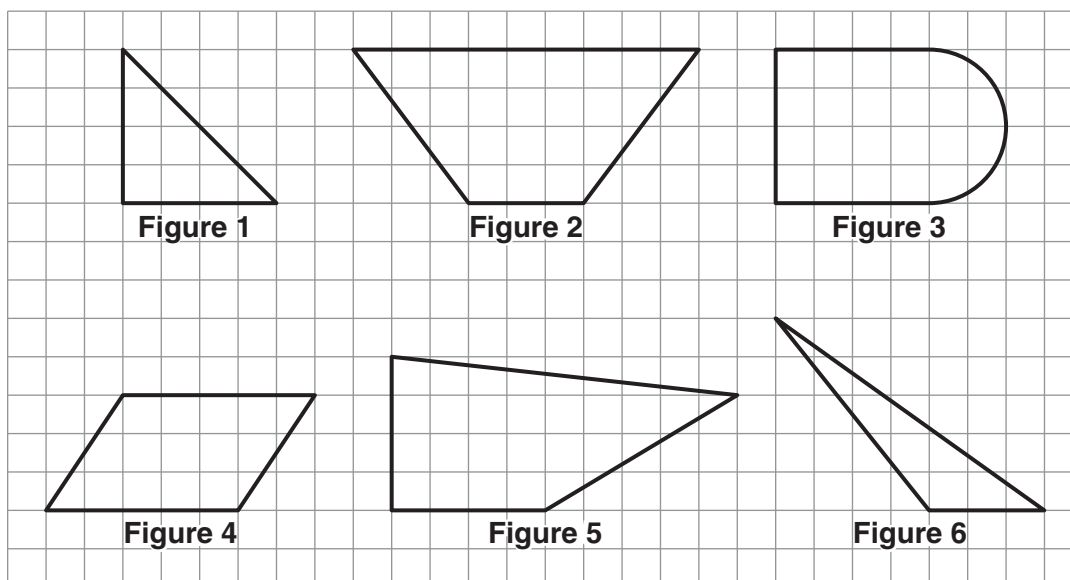
b) The student's explanation is incorrect.

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G&M 5.1 Uses **properties or attributes of angles** (right, acute, or obtuse) **or sides** (number of congruent sides, parallelism, or perpendicularity) **to identify, describe, classify, or distinguish among different types of triangles** (right, acute, obtuse, equiangular, or equilateral) **or quadrilaterals** (rectangles, squares, rhombi, trapezoids, or parallelograms).



- 15 Look at the figures on this grid.



Jill gave these three clues about one of the figures.

- Clue 1: It is a polygon.
- Clue 2: It has **exactly one** pair of congruent sides.
- Clue 3: It contains **at least one** obtuse angle.

- a. Which **two** figures fit all three of Jill's clues?
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Mathew gave exactly two clues about Figure 6. Figure 6 is the only figure that fits his two clues.

- c. What could be the **two** clues that Mathew gave?

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4	4 points
3	3 points
2	2 points
1	1 point or Student shows minimal understanding of properties of polygons.
0	Response is incorrect or contains some correct work that is irrelevant to the skill or concept being measured.
Blank	No response

Training Notes

- Part a: 1 point for correctly identifying two figures, (Figure) **2 and** (Figure) **5**
- Part b: 1 point for writing a fourth clue that distinguishes between Figure 2 and Figure 5
or
for writing a correct clue based on incorrect part a
- Part c: 2 points for writing two correct clues that uniquely identify Figure 6, with no incorrect clues
OR
1 point for writing two correct clues that do not uniquely identify Figure 6
or
for one correct clue with no incorrect clues

Sample Responses:

- Part b: It has one pair of parallel sides.
OR
It has one right angle.
- Part c: Clue 1: It has three sides.
Clue 2: It has one obtuse angle.
OR
It is a scalene triangle. [This counts as two clues.]
OR
Clue 1: It is a triangle.
Clue 2: It does not have a right angle.

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SCORE POINT 4
(EXAMPLE A)



15

A. Figures 2 and 5
B. It has 1 pair of parallel sides.
C. It is a triangle. It has 1 obtuse angle.

a) The student's response is correct.

b) The student's response is correct.

c) The student gives two correct clues that uniquely identify Figure 6.

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SCORE POINT 4
(EXAMPLE B)



15

a. 2, 5
b One pair of lines are parallel
c it is a triangle
there are no right angles

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b) The student's response is correct.

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SCORE POINT 3
(EXAMPLE A)



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a 5 and 6
b it has one right angle
c It has 3 sides
It has an obtuse angle

a) The student's response is incorrect.

b) The student's response is correct based on incorrect answer to part a.

c) The student gives two correct clues that uniquely identify Figure 6.

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SCORE POINT 3
(EXAMPLE B)



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a.) Figure 2 and Figure 5

b.) the Figure has one pair of parallel sides.

c.) #1. It has 2 acute angles.
#2. It has one obtuse angle.

a) The student's response is correct.

b) The student's response is correct.

c) The student gives two correct clues that do not uniquely identify Figure 6.

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SCORE POINT 2
(EXAMPLE A)



15 Figure 2 and Figure 4. I know this because a polygon is a 4 sided figure and they both have 4 sides, they both have at least at least 1 obtuse angle, and they both have exactly 1 pair of congruent sides

A 4th clue could be that The are of it has to be 17 sq cm, and that would knock out figure 2.

The 2 clues could be:

- its a triangle
- one of the angles is obtuse

a) The student's response is incorrect.

b) The student's response is incorrect.

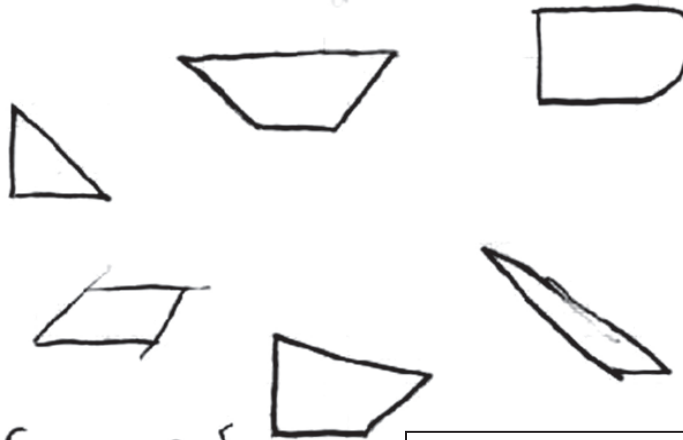
c) The student gives two correct clues that uniquely identify Figure 6.

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SCORE POINT 1
(EXAMPLE A)



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a. figure 25

a) The student's response is correct.

b. one side has 8 squares.

b) The student's response is incorrect.

c) The student does not attempt.

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SCORE POINT 0
(EXAMPLE A)



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a 4 and 2

b

all lines are same length

c one straight line.

2.2 line going to left

a) The student's response is incorrect.

b) The student's response is incorrect.

c) The student's response is incorrect.

Grade 6 Mathematics Released Item Information

Released Item Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
No Tools Allowed				✓	✓	✓			✓					✓	✓
Content Strand ¹	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	GM	FA	FA	FA	DP	NO	GM	NO	DP	GM
GLE Code	5-1	5-2	5-3	5-4	5-4	5-3	5-1	5-3	5-4	5-1	5-1	5-6	5-1	5-2	5-1
Depth of Knowledge Code	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	2	1	2	2	3
Item Type ²	MC	MC	MC	MC	MC	MC	MC	MC	MC	MC	SA	SA	SA	SA	CR
Answer Key	D	A	B	B	C	B	D	C	A	C					
Total Possible Points	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	4

¹Content Strand: NO = Numbers & Operations, GM = Geometry & Measurement, FA = Functions & Algebra, DP = Data, Statistics, & Probability

²Item Type: MC = Multiple Choice, SA = Short Answer, CR = Constructed Response